

Remarks/Arguments:

Reconsideration of this application in light of the above amendments and following comments is courteously solicited.

The newly amended claims are believed to distinguish over the Itai et al reference. In this regard Itai et al. discloses to move a cursor so as to point out a character based on the coordinate information of the character when the character is displayed on a display unit. On the contrary, in the present invention, a player or an operator specifies or appoints a predetermined position on the displayed map image by a cursor.

Accordingly, by specifying the above feature of the present invention in the claims, it is believed that the claims of the present invention define over the prior art reference.

An earnest and thorough attempt has been made by the undersigned to resolve the outstanding issues in this case and place same in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or feels that a telephone or personal interview would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues which remain in this application after consideration of this amendment, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone the undersigned and the same would be gratefully appreciated.

If any additional fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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